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FPPC Agenda Includes Expanded Disclosure Requirements

The Fair Political Practices Commission on **Thursday (August 16)** will consider adopting regulations providing additional reporting requirements of contributions to ballot measure committees, identification of the source of telephone advocacy calls and the finalized filing schedule for the 2008 presidential primary election.

The commission's regular monthly meeting begins at 10:00 a.m. in the FPPC's eighth-floor hearing room at 428 J St. (Fifth and J Streets) in Sacramento.

One proposed regulation will provide greater transparency about the funding of ballot measure committees. It requires the disclosure of the underlying contributors to certain state committees that, in turn, make contributions or independent expenditures to support or oppose state ballot measures. Currently, only the committee directly making the contribution to ballot measure committees is reported as a contributor.

Also proposed for adoption is a regulation requiring certain organizations that authorize or pay for 500 or more similar campaign-related telephone calls to support or oppose candidates and/or ballot measures, to disclose their name at the time the call is made.

A filing schedule for committees supporting or opposing statewide ballot measures voted on during California's February 5, 2008, presidential primary election is proposed for adoption. This new schedule will provide increased reporting to ensure that the public and media will have adequate time to review and analyze reports prior to the election.

The enforcement division has been working to resolve a number of so-called "backlogged" cases and the monthly enforcement calendar includes 36 cases, adding nearly \$80,000 to the state's general fund.

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